

<b>DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION</b> (37 CFR 1.63)	Attorney Docket Number	216224-00043
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<input type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted with Initial Filing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing. Surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e) required.	Application Number	09/773,524
	Filing Date	February 2, 2001
	Art Unit	Unassigned
	Examiner Name	Unassigned

**AS THE BELOW NAMED INVENTOR, I HEREBY DECLARE THAT:**

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR UTILIZING THE FULL  
CAPACITY OF A PARTICULAR TYPE OF  
MINE HOIST FOR EXCAVATING DEEP SHAFTS**

☒ is attached hereto

or

☒ was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) **February 2, 2001** as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number **09/773,524** and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

**PRIORITY INFORMATION:**

I hereby claim domestic priority benefits under 35 USC 119(e) of any provisional application listed below.

I hereby claim domestic priority benefits under 35 USC 120 of any United States application, or 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States listed below.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Domestic or Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Claimed	Certified Copy Attached? (for FOREIGN only)	
				YES	NO
60/180,044	USA	February 3, 2000	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
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☐ additional domestic and/or foreign application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet attached hereto.

## DECLARATION – UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

## NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:

☐ A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventorGiven Name (first and middle): **JOHN N.**Family Name or Surname: **DE LA VERGNE**Inventor's Signature: *John de la Vergne*Date: **02 MAY 2007**

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☐ Supplemental Additional Inventors(s) Sheets(s) are attached hereto.